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DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION (37 CFR 1.63)

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Filing Date	June 11, 1999
Group Art Unit	2766
Examiner Name	Not Yet Assigned

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

Hierarchical Open Security Information Delegation And Acquisition

the specification of which *(Title of the Invention)*

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was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY) June 11, 1999 as United States Application Number or PCT International

Application Number 09/330274 and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY) (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

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60/046,748	May 16, 1997	<input type="checkbox"/> Additional provisional application numbers are listed on a supplemental priority data sheet PTO/SB/02B attached hereto.

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08/770,238	December 20, 1996		
09/080,571	May 18, 1998		
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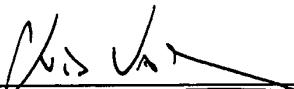
ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Luis Valente, a citizen of Canada, residing at 2903 Sevyson Court, Palo Alto, California 94303, have invented a "Hierarchical Open Security Information Delegation And Acquisition" for which we have executed application papers for a U.S. patent thereon, which was filed on June 11, 1999, Serial No. 09/330274; and

WHEREAS, Network Computers, Inc., a California corporation, having a place of business at 1000 Bridge Parkway, Redwood Shores, California 94065, is desirous of acquiring the exclusive right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to the Letters Patent to be granted and issued therefor in the United States of America and its territories and possessions, and in all countries foreign thereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, for a valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, Luis Valente, do sell, assign, transfer and set over unto the said Network Computers, Inc., its successors and assigns, the full and exclusive right, title and interest in and to said invention, and in and to any and all letters patent to be granted and issued therefor, not only for, to and in the United States of America, its territories and possessions, but also for, to and in all other countries including all priority rights under the International Convention; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to said Network Computers, Inc., its successors and assigns, in accordance with this Assignment.

WITNESS OUR HAND at Los Altos, this 8th day of October, 1999.



Luis Valente

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA) ss.
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On this 8th day of October, 1999, before me, ARLETTE MALHAS, a Notary Public, personally appeared Luis Valente personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument the person or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Arlette Malhas
NOTARY PUBLIC

